Evasion of Income Tax by a Film Actress

159. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER:
SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that prosecution case against film actress Rekha has been dropped and she has been spared from payment of penalty and compounding fee of Rs. 75 lakhs for income-tax evasion following a directive issued by the Central Board of Direct Taxes recently contrary to the recommendations made by the Comhmissioner of Income-tax; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for issuing such directive by the CBDT and what is Central Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. On the recommendation of Central Government approved the the Central Board of Direct Taxes, the proposal of the Commissioner of Income-tax that prosecutions launched in the case of Kumari Rekha Ganeshan, film actress, for the assessment years 1979-80 and 1982-83 may be withdrawn because her case was covered by the general instructions issued by the Board regarding the Amnesty Scheme, which was in force from November, 1985 to March, 1987. No proposal has been made by the Commissioner of Income-tax to the Central Board of Direct Taxes for the reduction of waiver of any penalty imposed on imposable in her case.

Bomb blasts in Delhi

160. SHRI P. N. SUKUL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there were some incidents of bomb blasts in buses and other crowded places in Delhi in recent weeks in the nature of terrorist activities;

(b) if so, the details of these blasts and the extent of loss of human life and property caused due to these blasts;

(c) whether the miscreants responsible for these incidents were apprehended; and

(d) whether a constant vigil is being maintained in the Capital to prevent such incidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) One incident was reported on 12.9.88 vide case FIR No.|463 dated 12-9-88 u|s. 302|307| 427-IPS 3|4 TADA (P) Act P. S. Shahdara. A bomb exploded in bus No. DEP-4391 under DTC Operation at Shahdara Bus Terminal. Two persons died and 21 were injured. There was heavy damage to this bus and some damage to one more bus parked nearby. Four accused persons responsible for this crime have been arrested.

(d) Yes, Sir.

जोधपुर बन्दी

161. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) जोधपुर जेल में इस समय कितने बंदी हैं जिन्हें "आपरेशन ब्लू स्टार" के दौरान गिरफ्तार किया गया था और उन सभी की रिहाई के बारे में सरकार का क्या रुख है; और

(ख) सभी बंदियों पर किस किस्म के आरोप लगाए गए है ?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत और पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी. चिदम्बरम) : (क) इस समय जोधपुर जेल में 188 विचाराधीन कैदी हैं । 4.3.1988 और 20.9.1988 को स्थिति की समीक्षा की गयी थी जिसके फलस्वरुप

183 व्यक्तियों के विरुद्ध मामले समाप्त कर दिये गये थे ।

(ख) भा० द० स०की धारा 121 और शस्त्र अधिनियम 2527 के अधीन इन कैदियों पर आरोप लगाए जाते हैं ।

एन.सी.ई.आर.टी. के पुस्तकालय में आग

162. **श्री विश्वासराव रामराव पाटिल**: क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 15 अक्तूबर, 1988 के "द हिंदुस्तान टाइम्स" में "मजर फायर इन एन.सी.ई.आर.टी. लायब्रेरी" शीषक के अन्तर्गत छपे समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार ने आग लगने के कारणों का तथा उससे हुये अनुमानित नुकसान का पता लगा लिया है ?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री संतोष मोहन देव) : (क) जी हां, श्रीमान ।

(ख) आग लगने के कारण तथा इसमे हुये अनुमानित नुकसान का अभी तक पता नहीं लगा है ।

Bank Credit for Industrial Development in Rajasthan

163. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total bank credit made available to Rajasthan for industrial development during the last three years;

(b) how does it compare with other States;

(c) whether instructions have been issued to the banks to accelerate the credit flow to industrially backward States: and

(d) if so, whether these instructions are being complied with?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDWARD FALEIRO): (a) to (d) The outstanding advances of Scheduled Commercial Banks to Industry in Rajasthan increased from Rs. 468.10 crores as at the end of December, 1984 to Rs. 481.15 crores as at the end of Dec., 1985 and further to Rs. 498.96 crores as at the end of Dec., 1986. As at the end of Dec., 1986, the amount of outstanding advances to Industry was higher in 11 States in comparison to the amount of outstanding advances to Industry in Rajashan and the same was lower in 12 States.

Banks have been advised to ensure that wide disparities among various States in credit deployment are advised and to take effective steps to increase the flow of credit to deficient areas. The policies are aimed at removing the regional inbalances in banking infrastructures and flow of credit. The guidelines in respect of preparation of Annual Action Plans, District Credit Plans and Lead Bank Scheme are formulated to achieve this object and to increase flow of credit to neglected sections of the economy.

RBI Scheme for adoption of Villages by Banks

164. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a scheme approved by the Reserve Bank of India for the adoption of villages by the nationalised and scheduled banks;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;